

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace paragraph [0036] with the following amended paragraph:

[0036] Moreover, the material for the wafer holder 3 is not particularly limited, and may be any material unless it has properties that cause contamination of grown crystals and atmosphere within the reactor 1. However, in order to improve heat transmission efficiency from the heater 5, it is preferred to use materials having heat conductivity of ~~50W/m<sup>2</sup>K~~ 50W/mK or larger but not exceeding ~~500W/m<sup>2</sup>K~~ 500W/mK, such as graphite and molybdenum.